

REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are pending. Claims 1-26 and 30-32 stand rejected. Claims 27-29 are allowed.

Please cancel claims 1-26 and 30-32. Because claims 1-26 and 30-32 have been canceled, the rejections regarding these claims are now moot.

Applicant notes that allowed claim 27 is dependent on a rejected claim, and, accordingly, has amended the claim to incorporate all the limitations of the claim from which it depends. Claim 27 is also amended to correct a typographical error, namely the omission of a parenthesis in the IAF formula. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of allowed claim 27 in view of the foregoing amendments.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests issuance of a Notice of Allowance directed towards claims 27-29. If a telephone conference would expedite the processing of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (512) 483-0985.

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